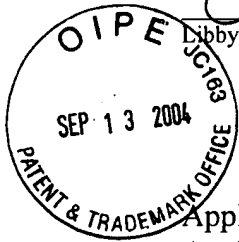


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for a two month extension of time, extending the period for response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2004 in the above-identified application to September 8, 2004. Applicants have enclosed a check that includes \$420.00 for the fee for the above-requested extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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